



## 2002 Your First College Year (YFCY) Data Services

In addition to producing the reports and resources you receive as part of your participation in YFCY, HERI is equipped to provide additional data services for a nominal fee. All requested files, reports, and resources will be delivered in electronic form via e-mail. Following is the data service information and the order form for specific services, although HERI will be happy to respond to other special data services upon request.

### Data Merges

Cost: \$250

The data file you receive as part of your participation in YFCY includes merged data from the most recent administration of the annual CIRP Freshman Survey when these pretest data are available (i.e., if your institution participated in the 2001 CIRP Freshman Survey). You also may want to merge this YFCY data set with other information such as campus registrar's data (for retention studies), responses from local assessment efforts, or student responses to other national surveys to create an even more valuable assessment database.

Theoretically, you have the ability to conduct these additional data merges using the raw data you receive as part of the YFCY package of deliverables. However, a student's record of YFCY responses (and CIRP data when available) will include personal identifiers only if the student has given HERI explicit permission to release this information to you, thereby potentially limiting your ability to conduct this merge with your data. If you send HERI a data file that you would like merged with your YFCY data, we can conduct this merge using students' social security number or data of birth as the common variable between the files. HERI can perform with merge even for students who did not give permission to release their identifiers back to their institutions. For these students, personal identifiers will be stripped from the new merged file.

### Consortium Report

Cost: \$65.00 plus \$5 per institution included

The comparison groups included in the YFCY reports are determined by the Stratification Cell assigned to your institution by the Higher Education Research Institute. Stratification Cell assignments are based upon institutional type, size, and selectivity and are updated regularly to reflect institutional shifts and changes to the national landscape of higher education (e.g., Carnegie Classification recodes or re-centering the SAT). However, you may wish to compare your YFCY respondents to a different group of institutional peers or even to an aspirant group of institutions. Per your request HERI can generate a special profile based on the aggregated responses from any **five** or more participating institutions of your choice. The Consortium Report is delivered in spreadsheet format (i.e., we do NOT release a data file of the respondents in the comparison group) and is identical in appearance to an Institutional Profile report.

### Additional Comparison Groups

Cost: \$15 plus \$5 per comparison group

The standard Institutional Profile that you receive compares your results with those of two comparison groups determined by the stratification cell to which HERI has assigned your institution. However, you may want expand the scope of your intra-institutional comparisons. To meet this need, HERI can generate a report on spreadsheet that displays the results from as many as four **ADDITIONAL** comparison groups from the twelve groups listed below.

# 2003 Your First College Year (YFCY) Data Services Order Form

Please use the following form to order YFCY Data Services. Do not include payment with this order. We will bill you after your order has been processed. Your order will be processed within 3-4 weeks after receipt of the order form.

## Contact Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

## \_\_\_\_\_ Data Merge (Cost: \$250)

Name of the data file that you are sending to HERI to be merged with YFCY data:

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## \_\_\_\_\_ Consortium Report (Cost: \$65.00 plus \$5 per institution included)

Please indicate five or more institutions to be included in the comparison group:

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## \_\_\_\_\_ Additional Comparison Groups (Cost: \$15 plus \$5 per comparison group)

Please use the codes below to indicate up to four additional groups you want to include in your Report on Spreadsheet:

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 01 All participating institutions | 05 Private universities             | 09 All Catholic 4-year colleges   |
| 02 All 4-year institutions        | 06 Public 4-year colleges           | 10 All Protestant 4-year colleges |
| 03 All 2-year colleges            | 07 All Private 4-year colleges      | 11 All Public 2-year colleges     |
| 04 Public universities            | 08 All Nonsectarian 4-year colleges | 12 All Private 2-year colleges    |